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SUBJECT: ANGOLAN RECOGNITION

REF: A) STATE 265503 ; B) NIAMEY 4392

1. FOREIGN MINISTER DJERMAKOYE MADE FOLLOWING REPLY RE ANGOLA AT PRESS CONFERENCE NOVEMBER 10. QUOTE IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN OUR POSITION, AND OFTEN REITERATED, THAT DECLARATIONS OR PROCLAMATIONS ARE NOT THE SOLUTION, EITHER SHORT OR LONG TERM. WE BELIEVE THAT AS LONG AS THERE IS NO CONCENSUS AMONG THE THREE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS, SITUATION IN ANGOLA WILL REMAIN CHAOTIC. UNQUOTE. DJERMAKOYE APPEALED TO ALL PARTIES TO CONTINUE EFFORTS AT ACCOMODATION.

2. WE DISCUSSED ANGOLA ALONG LINES STATE REFTEL WITH FOREIGN MINISTRY POLITICAL DIRECTOR DODO BOUKARY NOVEMBER 10. DODO SAID THAT NIGER HAD NO SPECIAL SOURCES OF INFORMATION ABOUT SITUATION ON GROUND IN ANGOLA IN ASSESSMENT OF PARAGRAPH 4 STATE 265503. HE SAID THAT BALKANIZATION WAS CLEAR PROSPECT FOR ANGOLA AND THAT NIGER WOULD VIEW CONFIDENTIAL

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SUCH A DENOUCEMENT AS TRAGEDY FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA AND

AS MATTER OF MOST SERIOUS CONCERN FOR STATES LIKE ZAIRE
AND ZAMBIA WHICH HAVE DIRECT INTEREST AT STAKE. GON AS
VICE PRESIDENT OF OAU BELIEVES ONLY COURSE IS TO CONTINUE
EFFORT TO FIND SOLUTION ACCEPTABLE TO ALL FACTIONS. BEST
APPROACH DODO OPINED WOULD BE AN INTERIM ACCORD
UNDER WHICH OAU OR ANOTHER FORUM COULD SUPERVISE
ELECTIONS. IN ABSENCE OF SOME MORE BROADLY ACCEPTABLE ARRANGEMENT
HE SAID NIGER WOULD NOT BE PRESSURED INTO RECOGNITION OF
MINORITY CLAIMANT AS LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA. DAVISON

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